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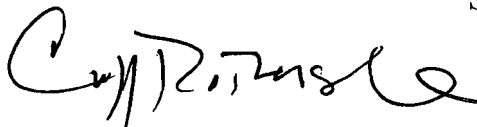
Dear Federal Agency Environmental Executive:

As you are aware, Section 9007(b)(1) of Subtitle I, created by the Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act of 2005, requires each Federal agency that owns or operates one or more Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) or manages land on which one or more USTs are located to submit a report about these USTs to the EPA Administrator and Congress by August 8, 2006. To help Federal agencies meet this deadline EPA developed "**Guidance for Underground Storage Tank Compliance Act 2005 Federal Facility Compliance Reporting.**" EPA appreciates all the comments and input received from all the Federal agencies on the document. The guidance provides direction on the type of information Federal agencies should report to address the requirements of Section 9007(b)(1). It is structured to provide direction on reporting to Federal agencies that plan to use the Federal Facility and Lands UST Data System being developed on www.fedcenter.gov (or **FedCenter**). All agencies should follow the format and directions provided in this Guidance even if they decide not to use the data system on **FedCenter**.

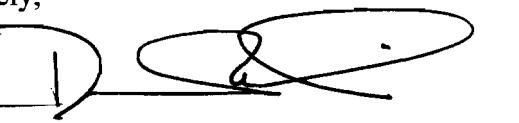
Federal agencies which do not have existing UST information management systems capable of fulfilling the requirements of Section 9007(b)(1) are encouraged to use **FedCenter**. We currently anticipate that the database will be ready by February 22, 2006. If you are considering using **FedCenter**, please have your UST workgroup representative send an e-mail to Melanie Garvey so that we can start to set up access for your agency. EPA will provide assistance to your Agency to ensure that the guidance and **FedCenter** meet your needs. During the last week of February, EPA also plans to hold a meeting to provide a tutorial on the **FedCenter** data system. More information on that meeting will be forthcoming.

If you have questions on the guidance or on any issues related to the Act, please contact Melanie Garvey in EPA's Federal Facilities Enforcement Office at 202-564-2579/garvey.melanie@epa.gov or Steven McNeely in EPA's Office of Underground Storage Tanks at 703-603-7164/ mcneely.steven@epa.gov.

Sincerely,



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